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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed December 30, 2003, please consider the following Amendments and Remarks.

Claims 7-25 are pending in the application. Claims 7-25 have been added and claims 1-6 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.